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that the Government do not approve of a large-scale demand for permits. The Government is statutorily bound to give some permits in response to the recommendations of medical men. But it is sought to be kept strictly under control. I may add that if very wealthy persons wish to kill themselves, I have no objection."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question time is over. The answers to the remaining questions will be printed in the official proceedings."

POINT OF ORDER.

SRI SAKA VENKATA RAO :—" On a point of order, Sir, వెనుక బెంచీలలో ఉన్నవారు ఉప ప్రశ్నలు వేయడానికి అసలు అవకాశమే ఇవ్వడంలేదు. అది అట్లుండగా, రెండవది రోజూ వచ్చేటటువంటి ప్రశ్నలు సుమారు 50, 60 వరకు ఉంటూండగా, ఏకో 10, 12 ప్రశ్నలు మాత్రమే ఈ ప్రశ్నకాలములో ముగింపబడుచున్నవి. పోనీ, మిగతా ప్రశ్నలకు తరువాత రోజైనా అవకాశమిచ్చి సమాధానాలు ఇవ్వడం జరుగుతున్నదా అంటే అదీకూడాలేదు. అందుచేత ఈ విషయంలో ఒక పద్ధతి అవలంబిసె బాగుంటుందని, దాన్నిగురించి ఒక సూచన చేస్తున్నాను. ఈ ప్రశ్నల గంటలో, ముక్కాలు గంటవరకు ఉప ప్రశ్నలకు అవకాశమిచ్చి తక్కిన 15 నిమిషాలలో మిగిలిన ప్రశ్నలన్నిటికి కనీసము మంత్రులు సమాధానమైనా చెప్పినట్లయితే బాగుంటుంది. అన్ని ప్రశ్నలకు సమాధానం వచ్చినట్లవుతుంది. కనుక ఆ విధంగా చేయవలెనని అధ్యక్షులను కోరుచున్నాను." 9-30 p.m.

MR. SPEAKER :—" Is the hon. Member making a speech ! "

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" No, Sir, he is explaining his point of order."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Let somebody translate it. Let me hear Mr. Viswanatham."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" The hon. Member says that in view of the fact that a large number of questions had been left out unanswered both yesterday and to-day, he is making a suggestion for the consideration of the Chair, Sir . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Is that a point of order? "

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" In order to catch your eye, he has mentioned it as a point of order."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Perhaps according to him it is a point of order."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" That is why he is offering a suggestion for the consideration of the Chair. He says that the first 45 minutes of the question-hour may be devoted for putting supplementary questions and the remaining 15 minutes may be taken by the Hon. Ministers for answering the remaining questions. He also requests that copies of answers to the remaining questions may be made available to hon. Members the next day."

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MR. SPEAKER :—" That is a good suggestion. I shall consider it. Does the hon. Member want that the answers should be roneoed and distributed to all members? "

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" Not to all, but to the hon. Member who has put the concerned question."

MR. SPEAKER :—" All right. I shall consider that suggestion. The remaining questions and answers to-day will be printed in the Proceedings."

City bus transport.

* 1039 *Q.*—SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total amount of money invested in the Madras City Bus Transport Service ; and

(*b*) whether the Italian diesel oil engine buses have been transferred into petrol consuming vehicles?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) A sum of Rs. 72,08,596 has been invested in the Government Bus Service, Madras City, up to 31st March 1952.

" (*b*) Twenty-four out of twenty-five Italian diesel engine buses have been converted into petrol engine buses. Only one bus has not been converted into petrol engine bus."

Panchayat for Madukkarai village, Coimbatore district.

* 1040 *Q.*—SRI M. PALANIYANDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any memorandum from the people of Madukkarai village, in Coimbatore district, regarding the constitution of a panchayat ; and

(*b*) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) The question of constituting a panchayat for the village is under the consideration of the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards in whom the power of constituting panchayats is vested."

Exemption to iced fish dealers from sales tax.

* 1041 *Q.*—SRI KUNHI MUHAMED SHAFEE : Will the Hon. the Minister for Rural Welfare be pleased to state whether the Government have received a memorandum, dated 2nd December 1952, from the Iced Fish Merchants' Association, Tanur, South Malabar, requesting them to exempt the iced fish dealers from sales tax and, if so, what action the Government have taken in the matter?